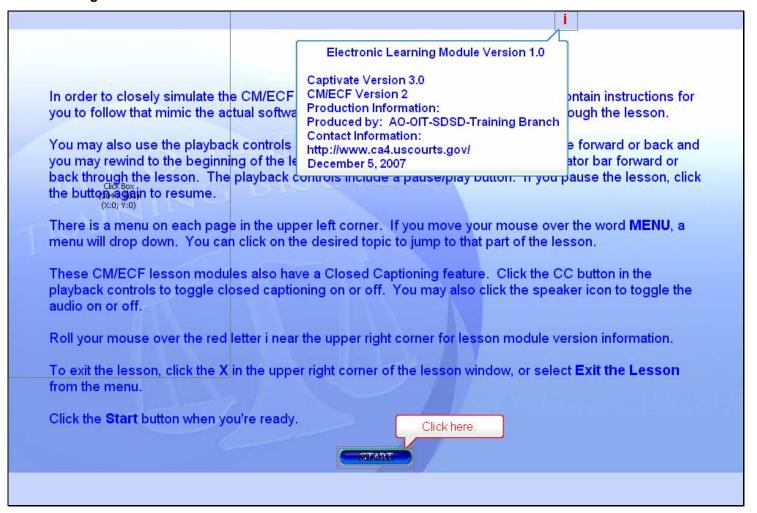
Slide 1 - Welcome



Slide notes

Welcome to the lesson on Filing a Brief.

Slide 2 - Navigation



Slide notes

This screen tells you how to navigate through this lesson and describes some of the other features of the screens. When you're ready to begin, click the Start button.

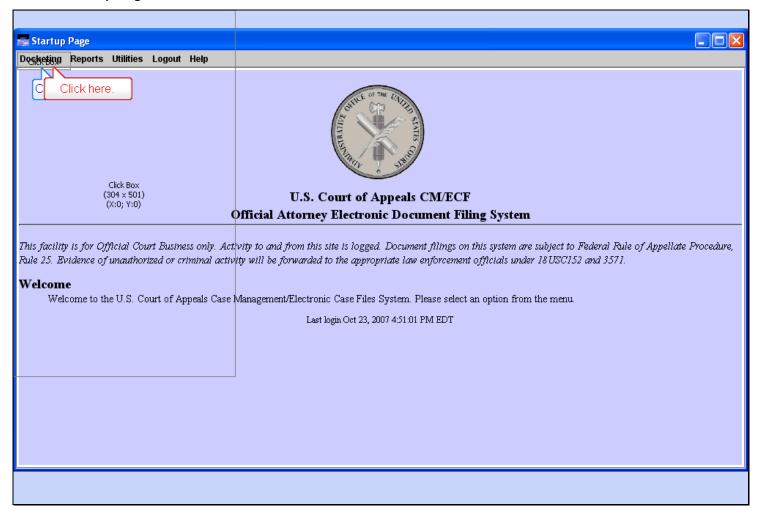
Slide 3 - Objectives



Slide notes

Here are the objectives for this lesson. These are the things you will be able to do when you complete the module. Click Continue.

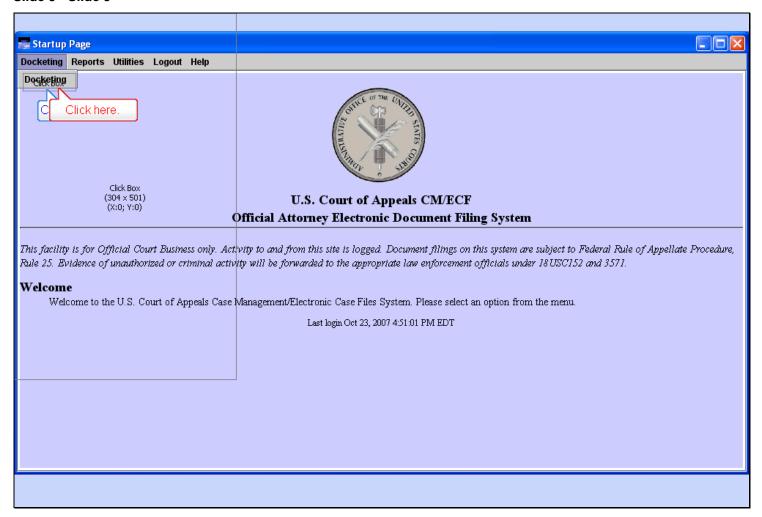
Slide 4 - Startup Page



Slide notes

To begin filing your opening brief, click Docketing in the CM/ECF menu.

Slide 5 - Slide 5



Slide notes

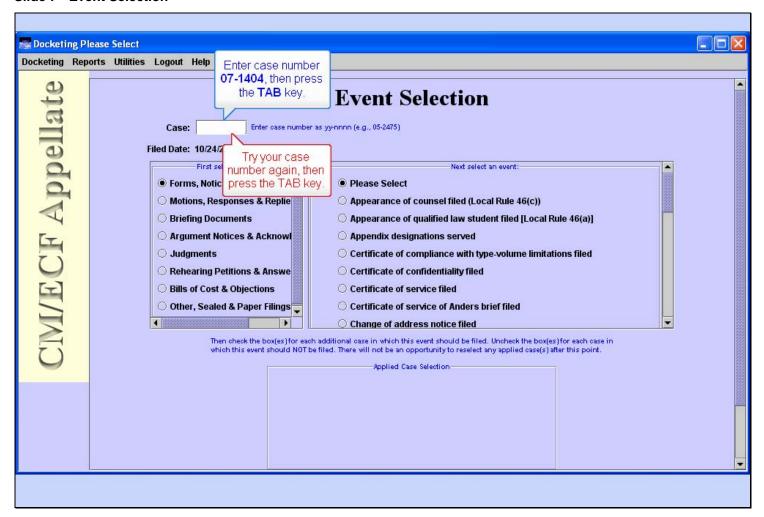
Now click Docketing again.

Slide 6 - Slide 6



Slide notes

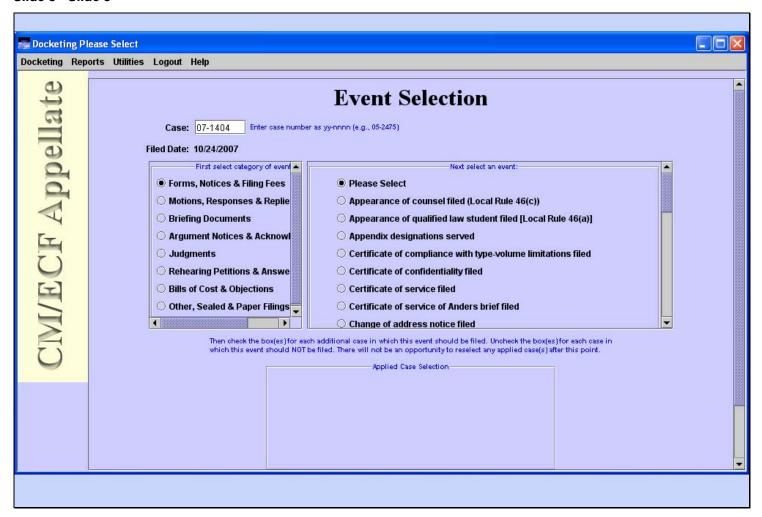
Slide 7 - Event Selection



Slide notes

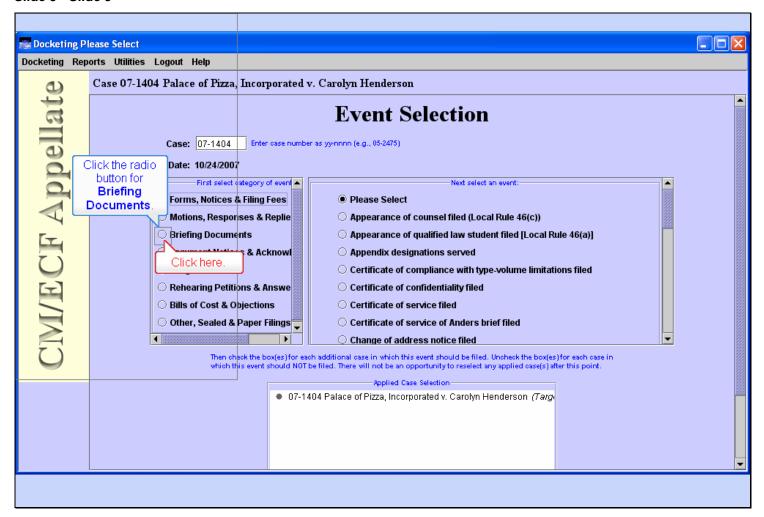
In the Case field, enter case number 07-1404, then press the TAB key.

Slide 8 - Slide 8



Slide notes

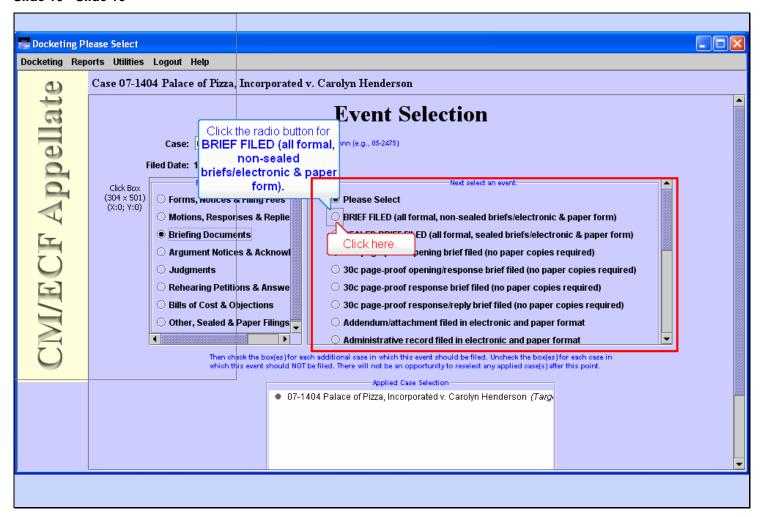
Slide 9 - Slide 9



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The next step is to select the appropriate category of event in the left pane. For our opening brief, click the radio button for Briefing Documents.

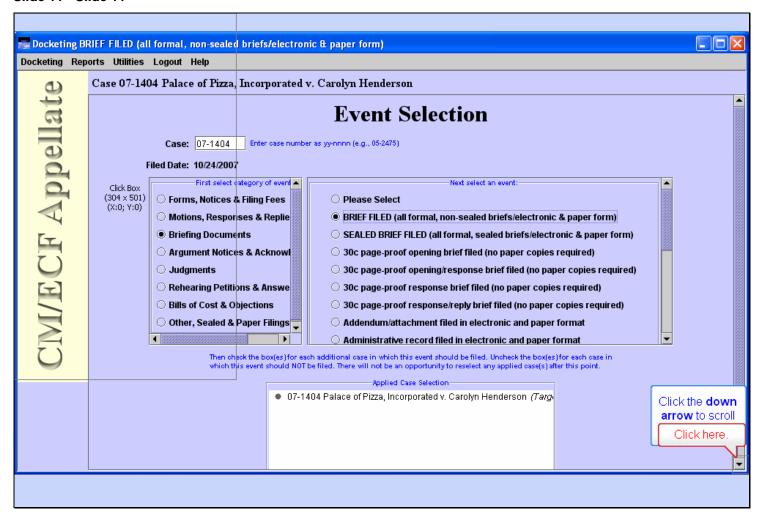
Slide 10 - Slide 10



Slide notes

Now the right pane shows all events within the Briefing Documents category. Note you may have to scroll down to locate the specific event you need. In our case, click the radio button for BRIEF FILED (all formal, non-sealed briefs/electronic & paper form).

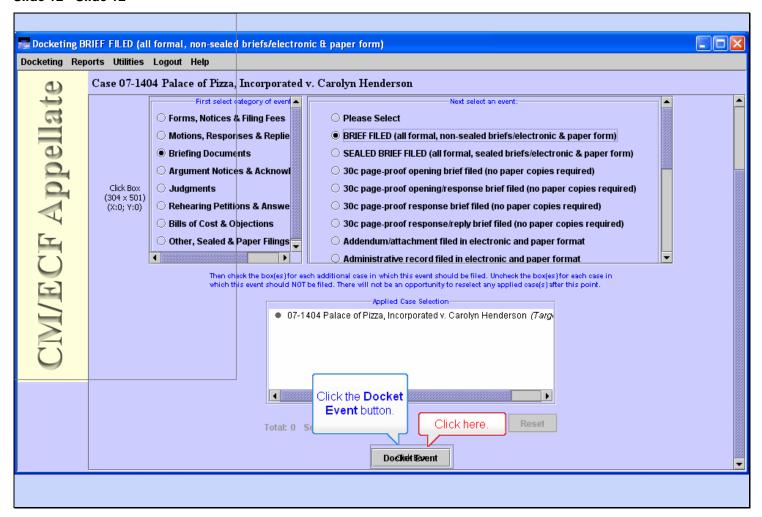
Slide 11 - Slide 11



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To continue filing your brief, click the down arrow in the scroll bar to scroll down.

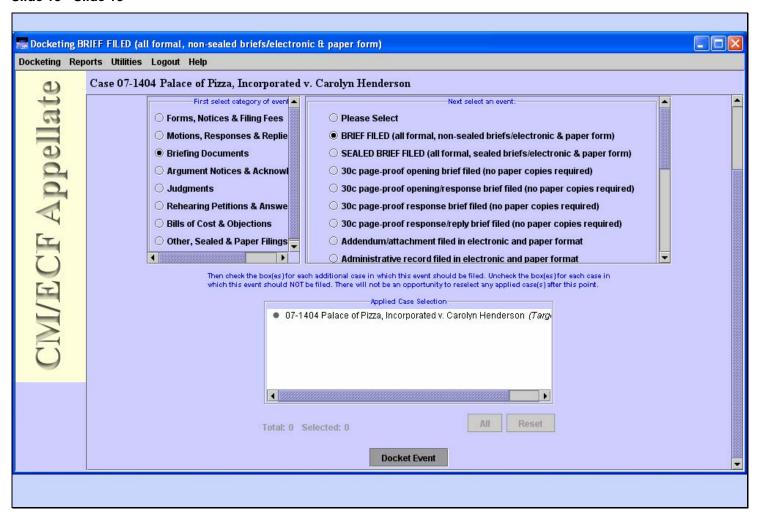
Slide 12 - Slide 12



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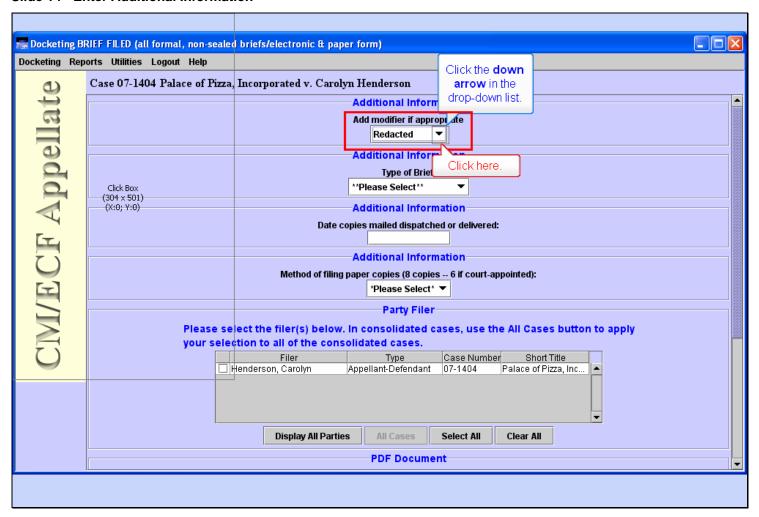
Since our target case is selected, and we have the correct event selected, click the Docket Event button.

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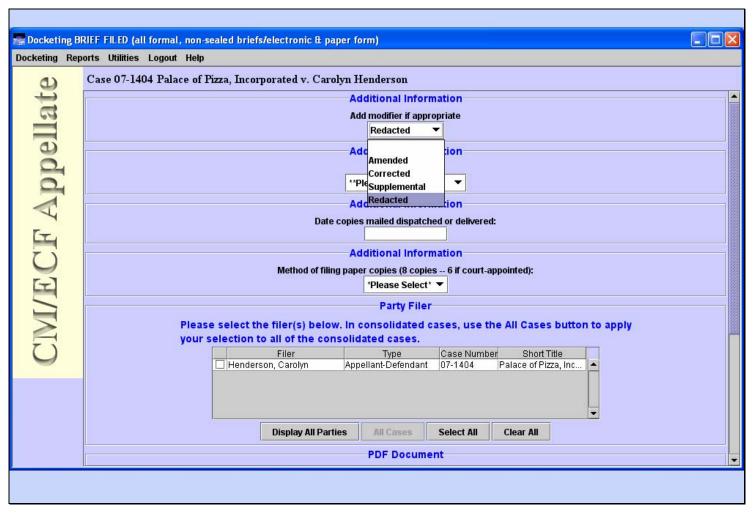
Slide 14 - Enter Additional Information



Slide notes

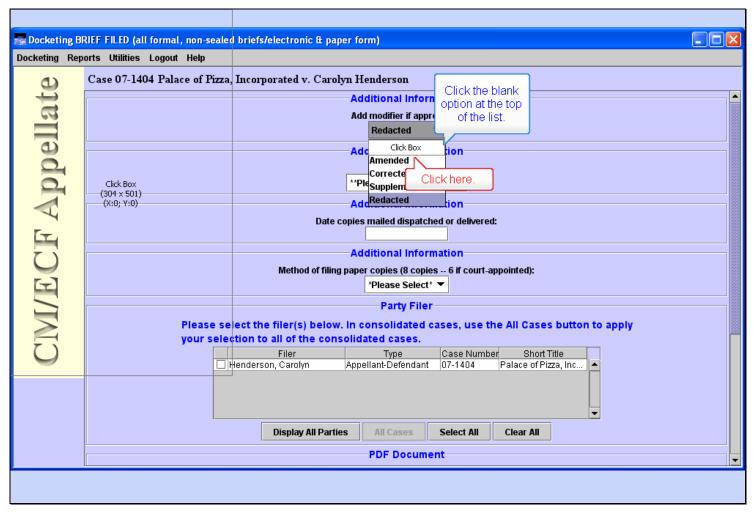
Now we need to enter some additional information about our opening brief. First, you may select a modifier from a drop-down list if appropriate. Click the down arrow in the modifier list to see its options.

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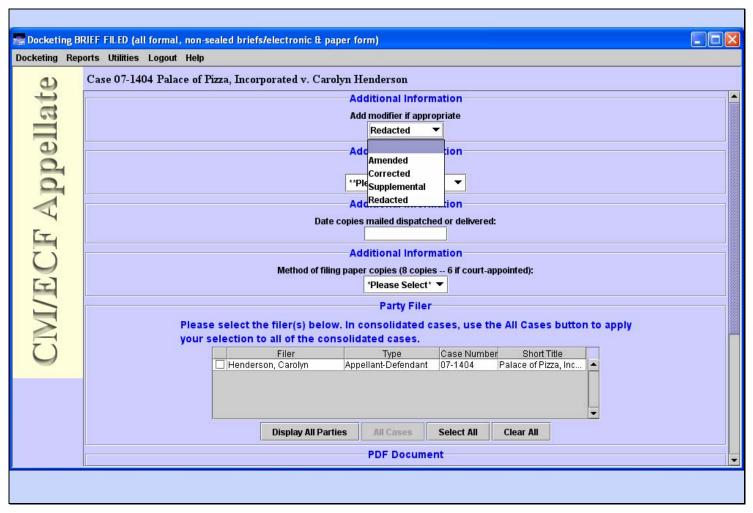
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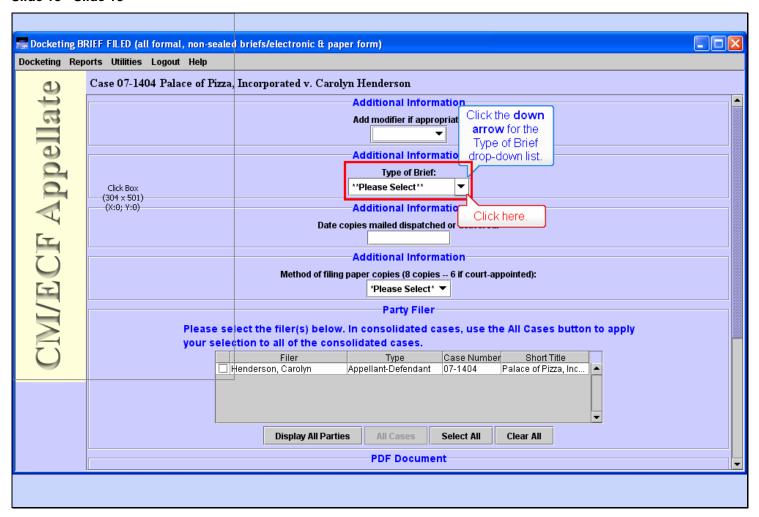
Since none of these modifiers are appropriate for our opening brief, click the blank space above Amended.

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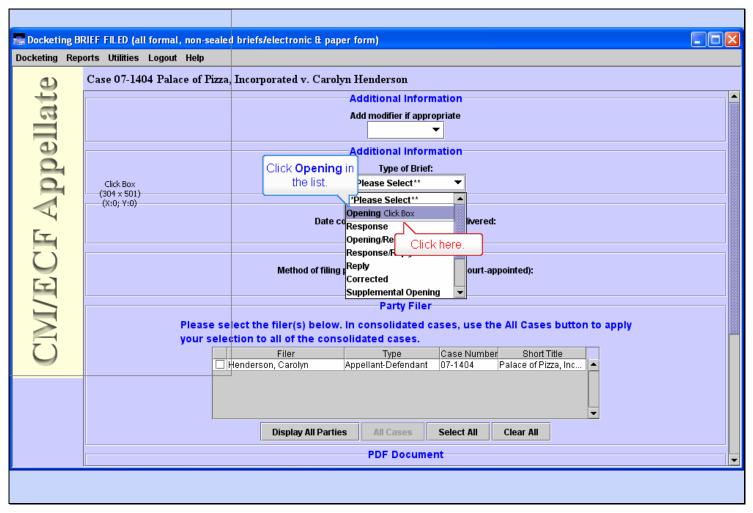
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There's a second drop-down list for the type of brief we are filing. Click the down arrow in that list.

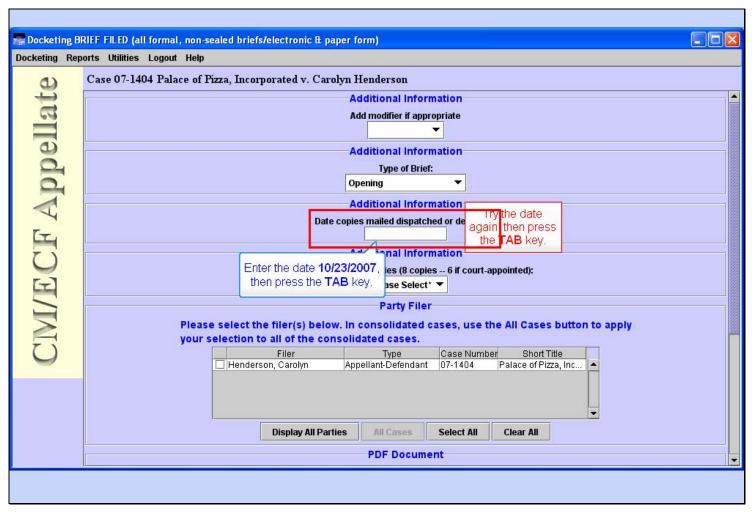
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From the list, click Opening.

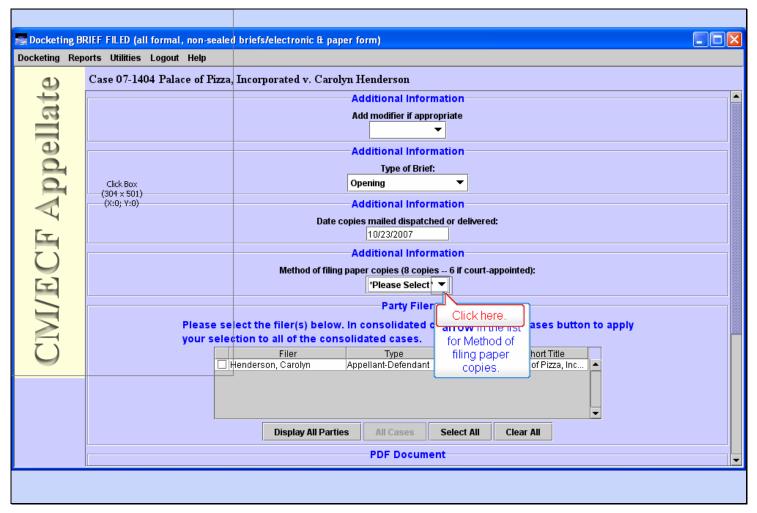
Slide 20 - Slide 20



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We also must indicate when copies were dispatched. In the date field, enter 10/23/2007, then press the TAB key.

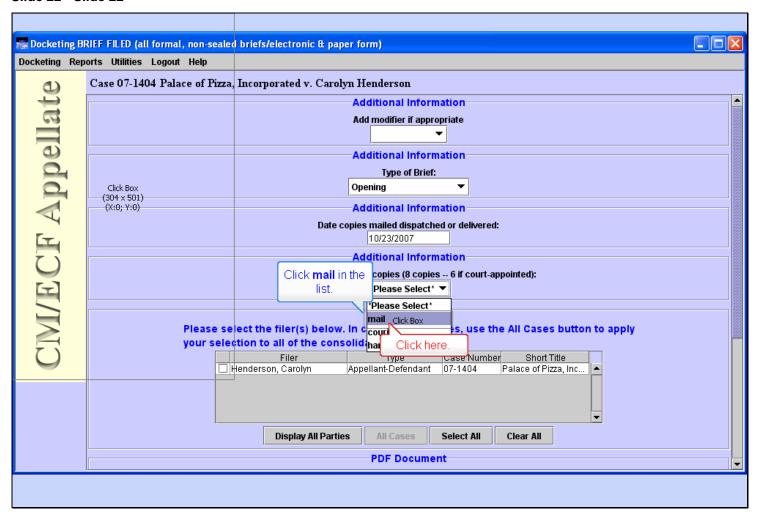
Slide 21 - Slide 21



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Click the down arrow on the method of filing paper copies drop-down list.

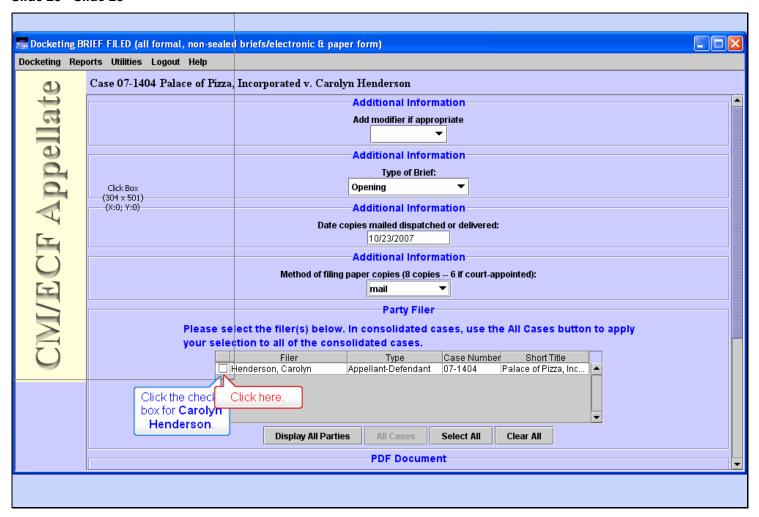
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Select mail from this list.

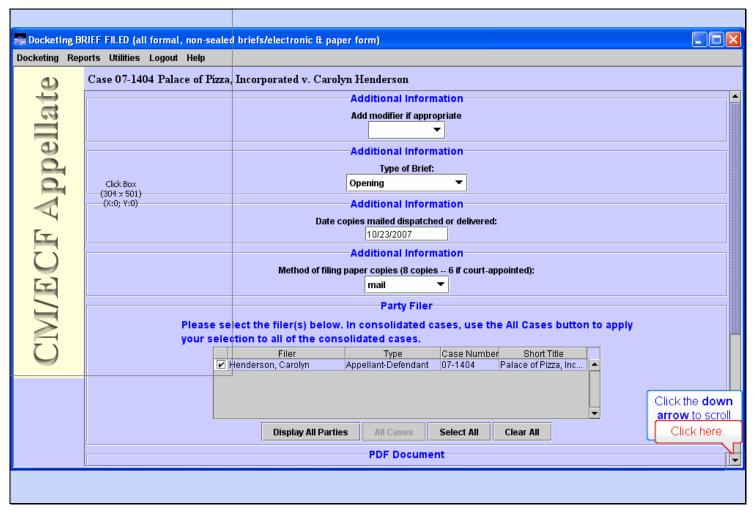
Slide 23 - Slide 23



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Click the check box for Carolyn Henderson.

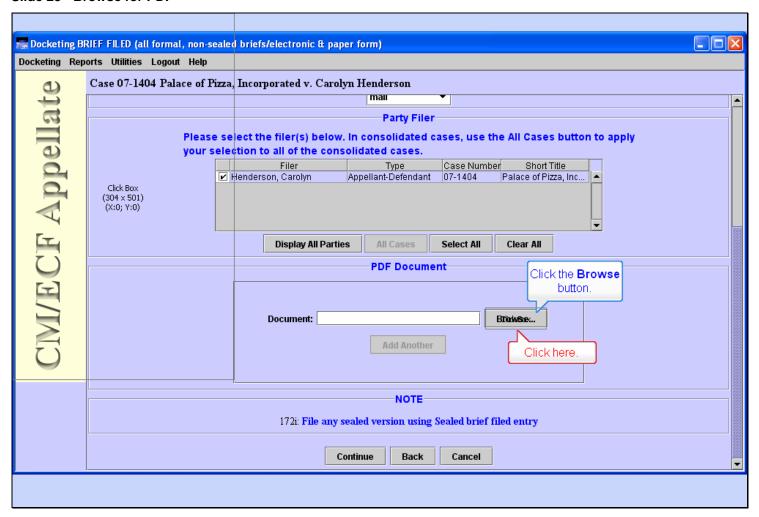
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To see the rest of the screen segment, click the down arrow in the scroll bar.

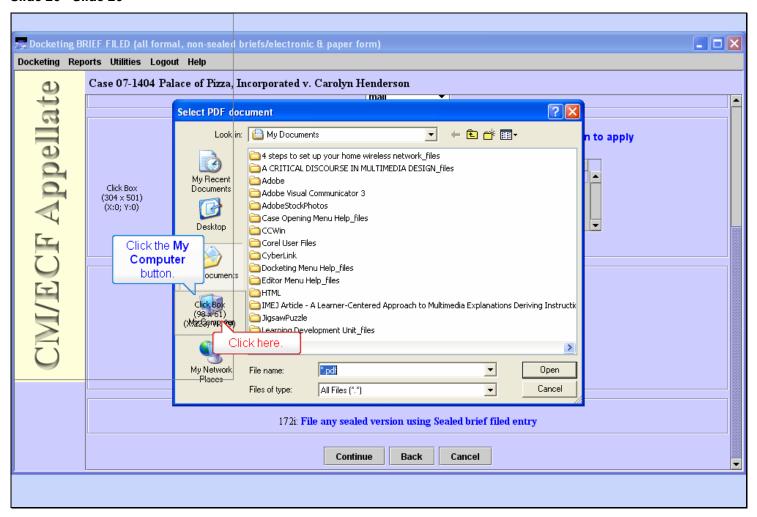
Slide 25 - Browse for PDF



Slide notes

Now we're ready to select the PDF version of our opening brief. Click the Browse button to locate that document.

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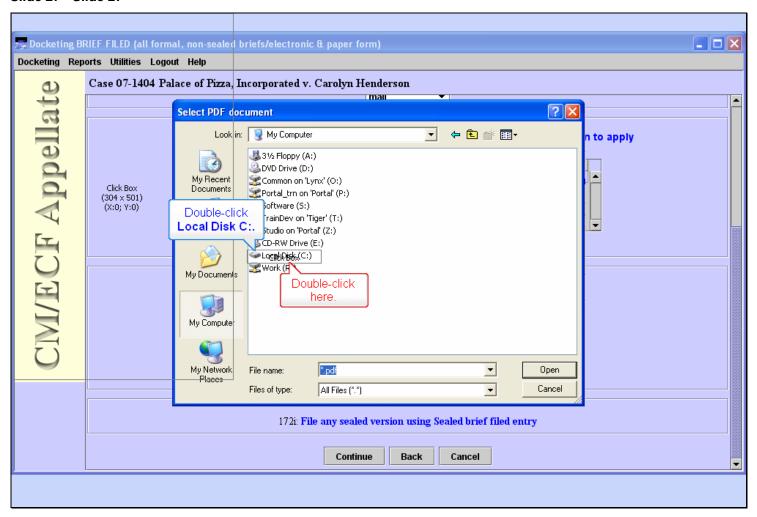


Slide notes

Your browser shows a dialog box designed to let you browse the disk drives and folders on your PC to locate your brief. See the lesson module on Windows Navigation for help in locating files on your computer.

To find the brief, first click the My Computer button.

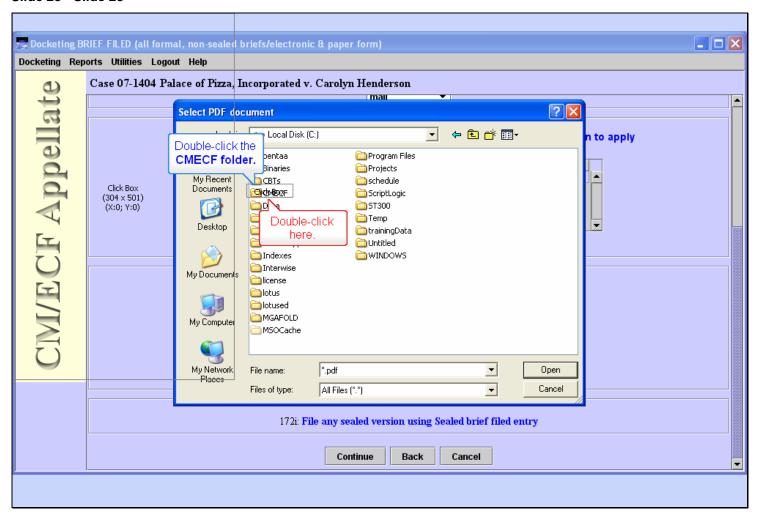
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Slide notes

This example shows all the disk drives accessible to my computer. Double-click Local Disk C: to open its folders.

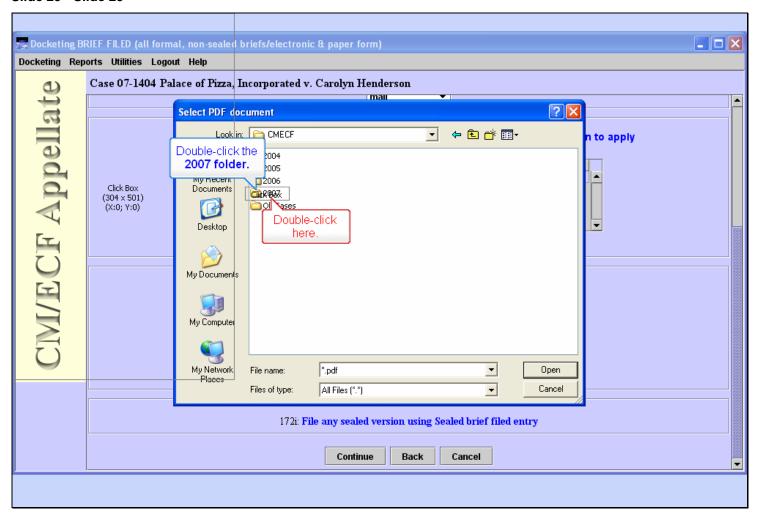
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It's a good idea to keep all your CM/ECF related PDF files in a place you can easily locate them. In our example we have placed them in a folder named CMECF. Double-click that folder to open it.

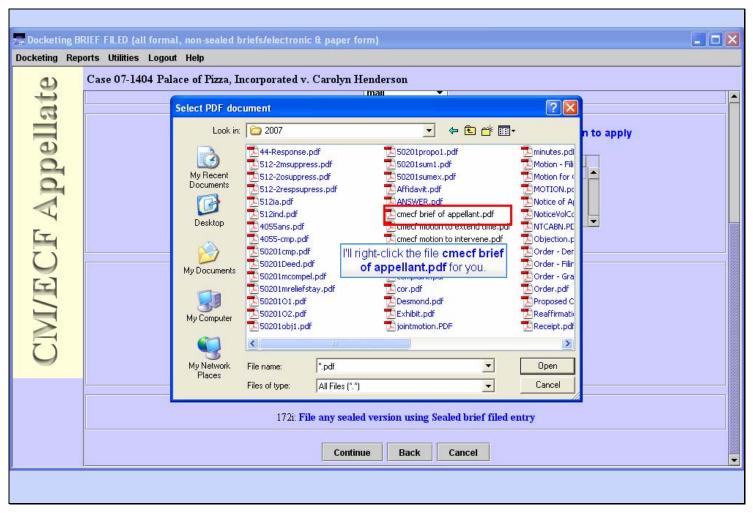
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Now double-click the 2007 folder to open it.

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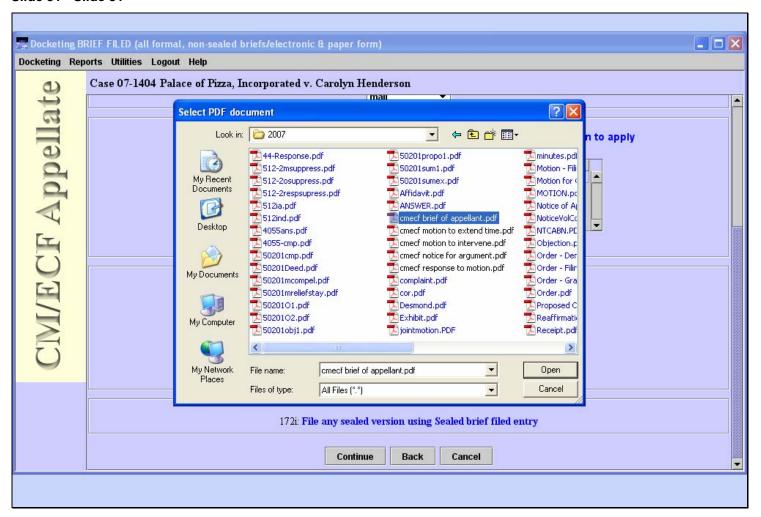


Slide notes

And here are our CM/ECF-related PDF files for 2007. The opening brief is shown in this list and is named cmecf brief of appellant.pdf. But it's a good practice to look at the file's contents before you submit it to the court just to double-check that it's the right file.

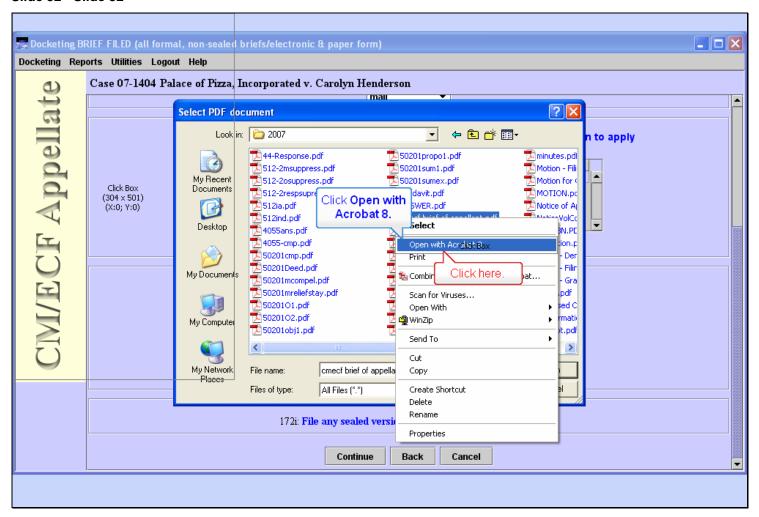
To open the file and look at it, you would right-click the file name. Your browser will then pop up a menu with an option to view the file's contents. Watch your screen and I'll right-click the file for you.

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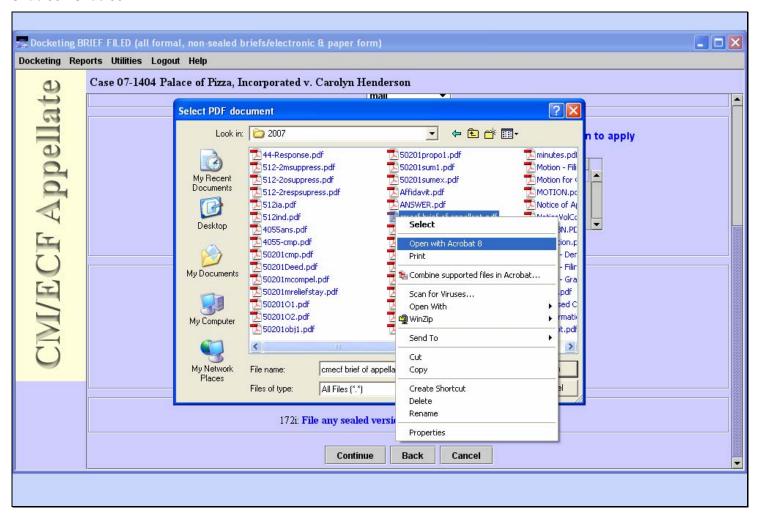
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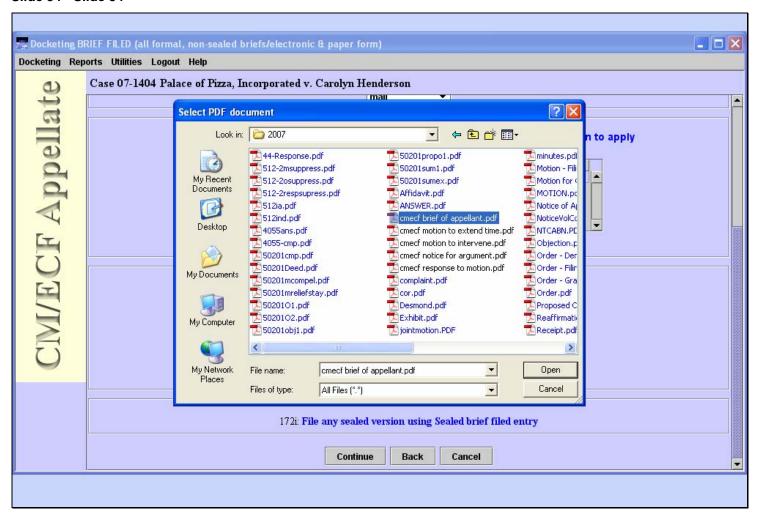
Notice the pop-up menu has an option to Open with Acrobat 8. Click that option.

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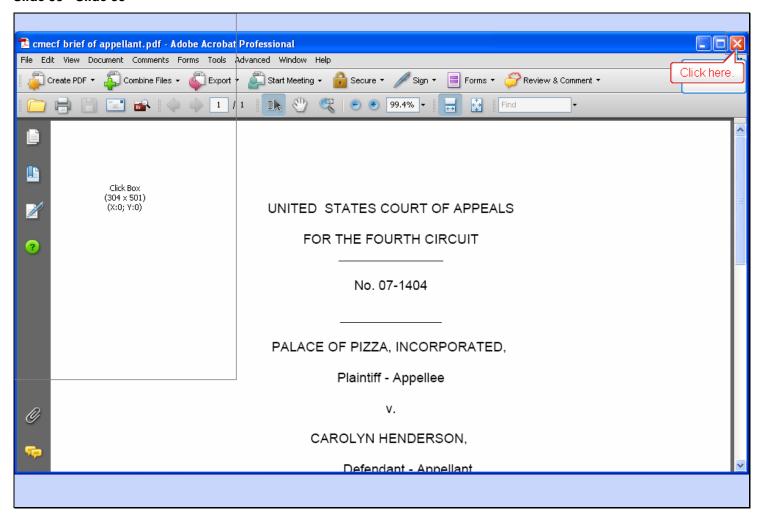
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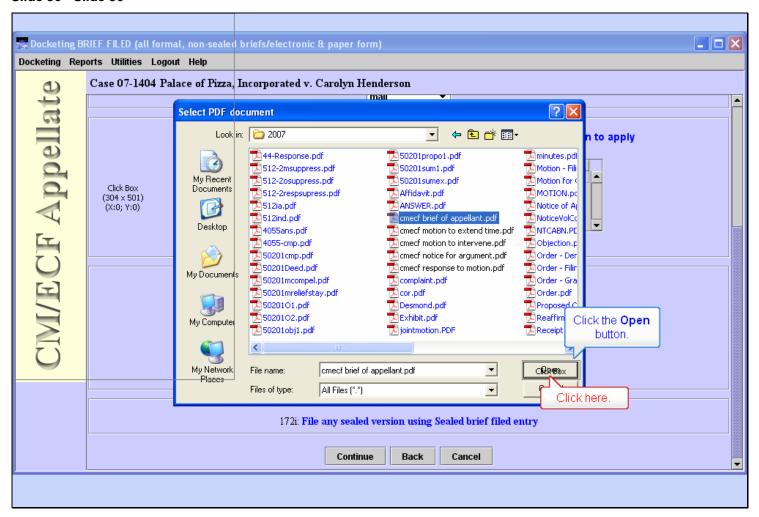
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Slide notes

And Adobe Acrobat opens the file so you can verify that it's the correct opening brief. Now that we're sure this is the right document, close the Acrobat window by clicking its close button.

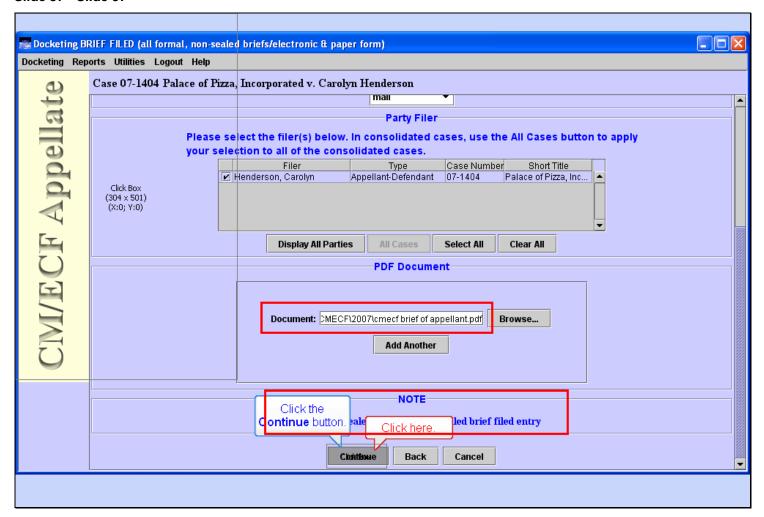
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Now click the Open button to select this document.

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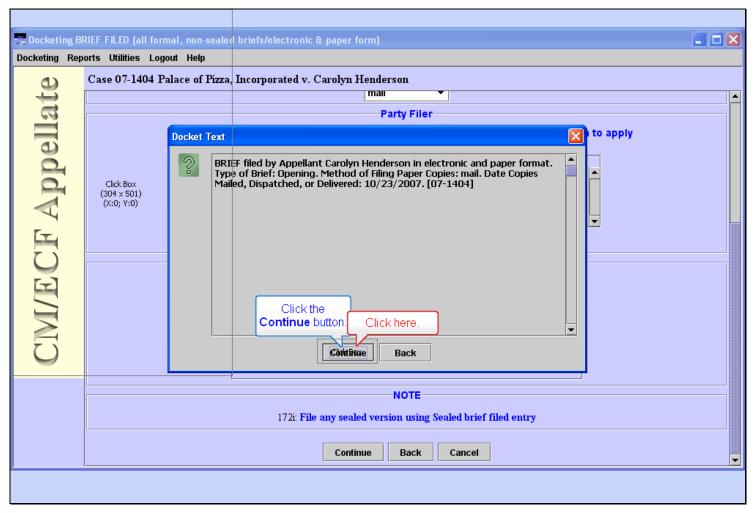
Slide notes

CM/ECF fills in the path and filename of our PDF document. You could use the Add Another button to repeat the process for any other documents you wished to file with the brief.

Notice the Note at the bottom of the screen. Remember, you should read the blue text on the screens for instructions and reminders to you.

Click the Continue button.

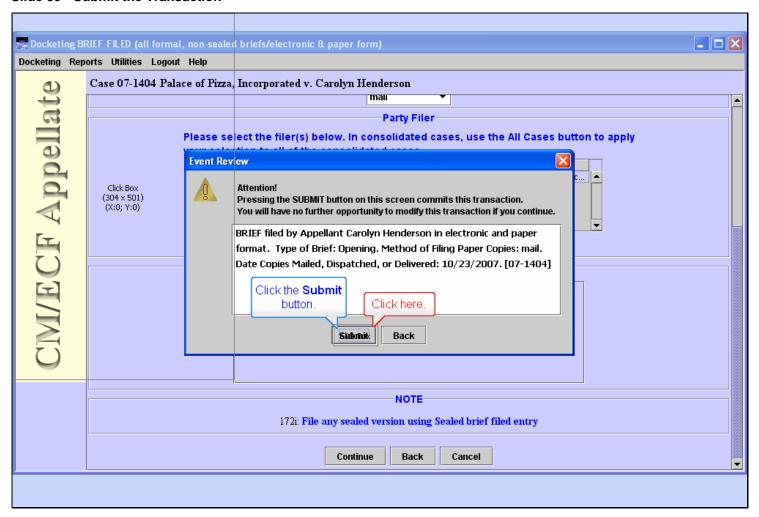
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Slide notes

CM/ECF is building docket text for your filing. You should make sure it's accurate, then click the Continue button.

Slide 39 - Submit the Transaction

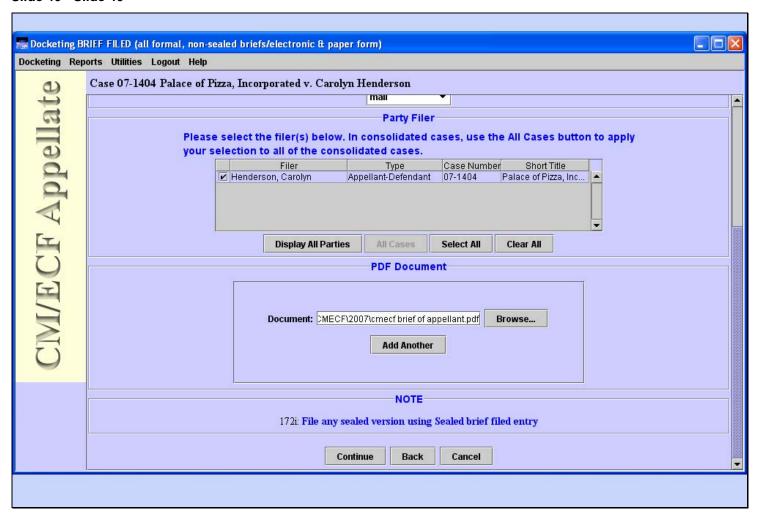


Slide notes

This is the point of no return. Read the text carefully to make sure all the information is correct. After you click the Submit button, you will have no further chance to back up and change anything.

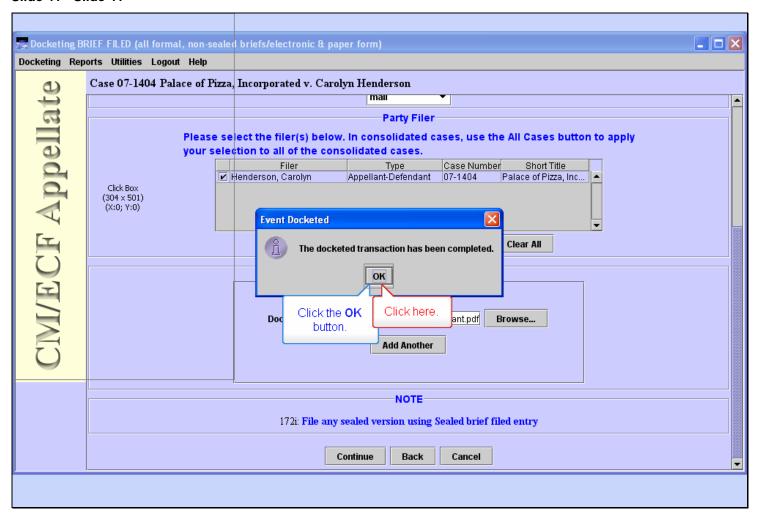
We'll assume everything is correct, so click the Submit button.

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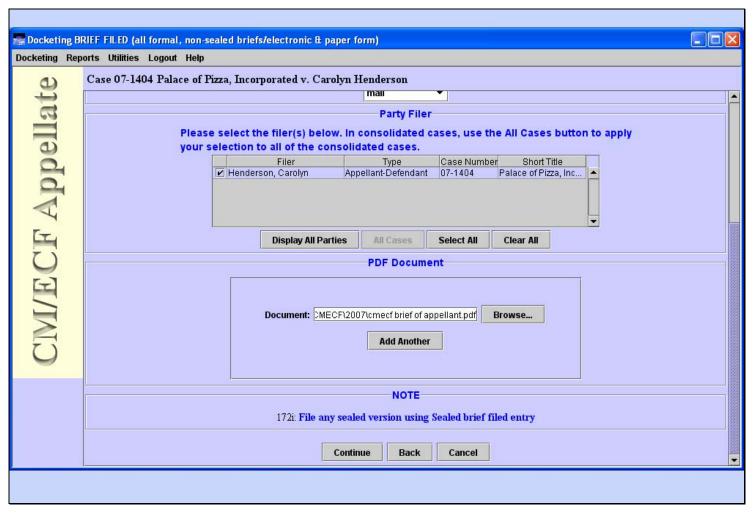
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When the CM/ECF server receives your transaction, you will receive this confirmation. Click the OK button.

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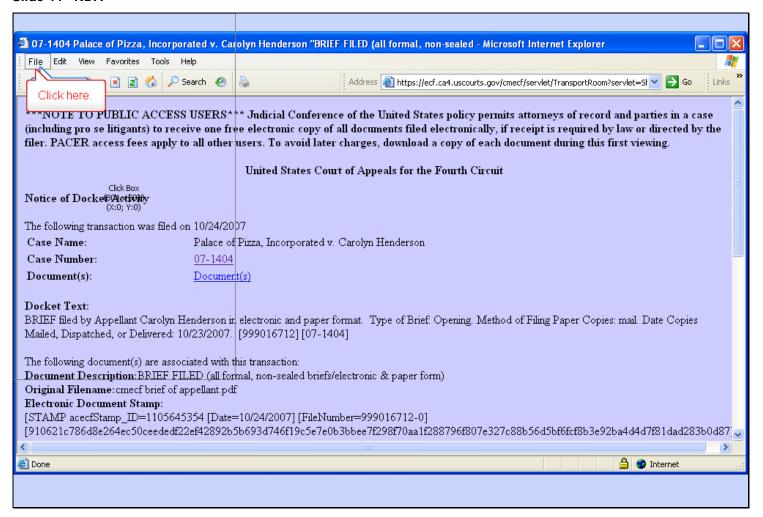
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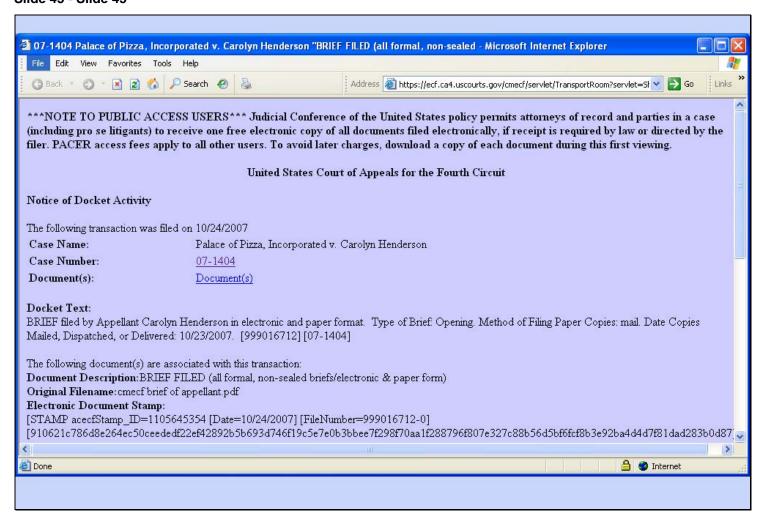
Slide 44 - NDA



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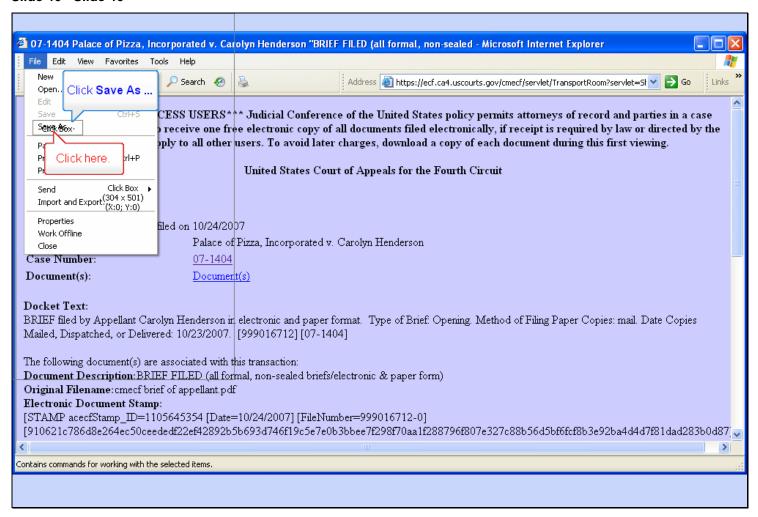
CM/ECF sends you a Notice of Docket Activity, or NDA. It's a good practice to save a copy of this notice. To do so, click File in your browser's menu.

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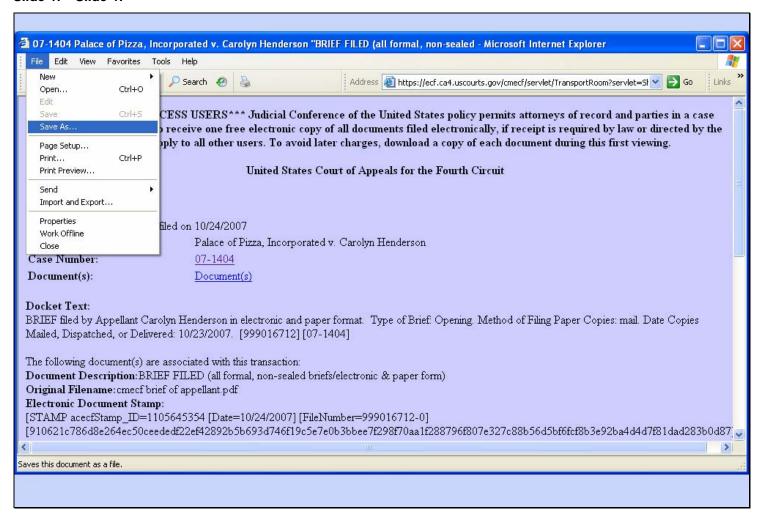
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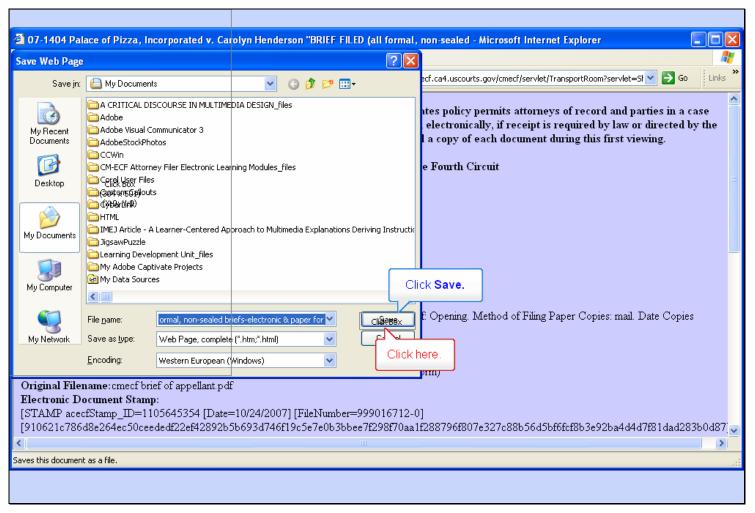
Now click Save As

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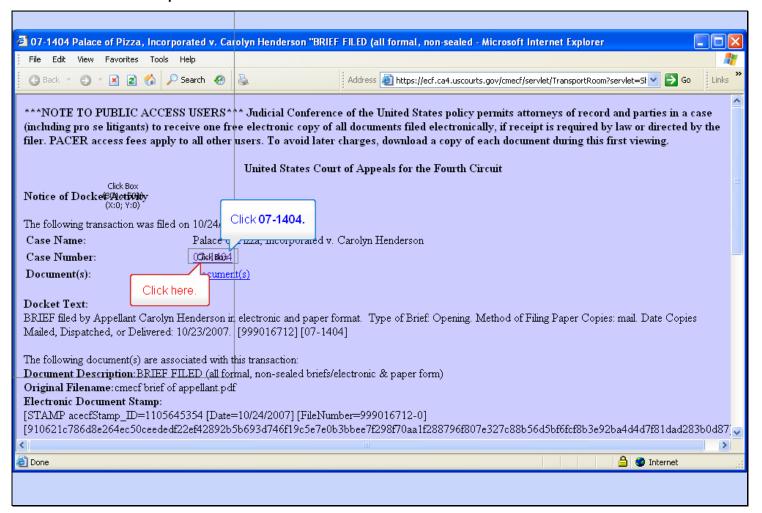
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Make note of the folder in which your NDA will be saved. You can change the location if desired, and you can change the file name also if desired. We'll leave the location and file name as they are. Click the Save button.

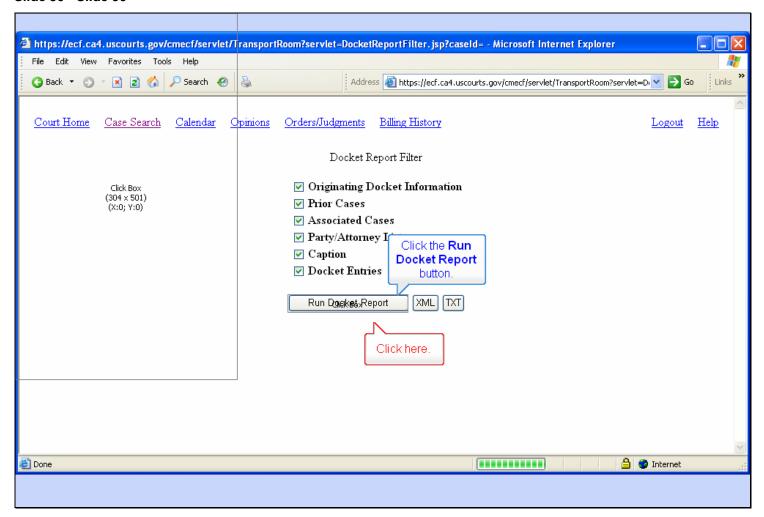
Slide 49 - Run Docket Report



Slide notes

From the NDA we can also produce a docket report for this case. To do so, click the case number hyperlink.

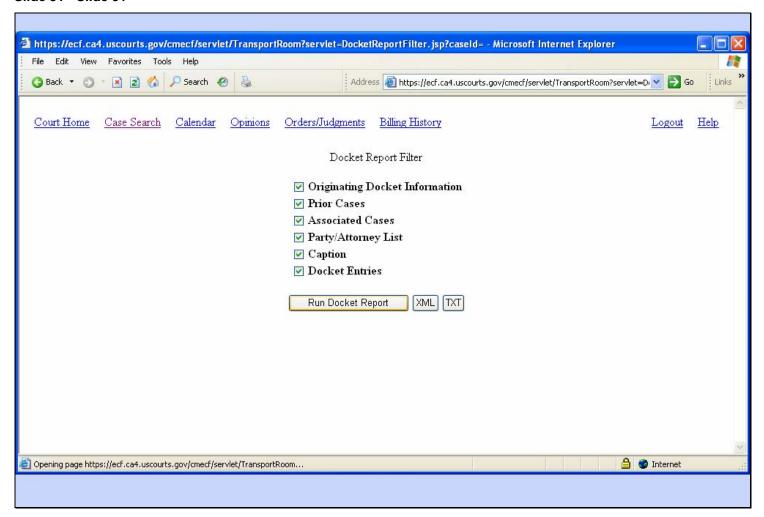
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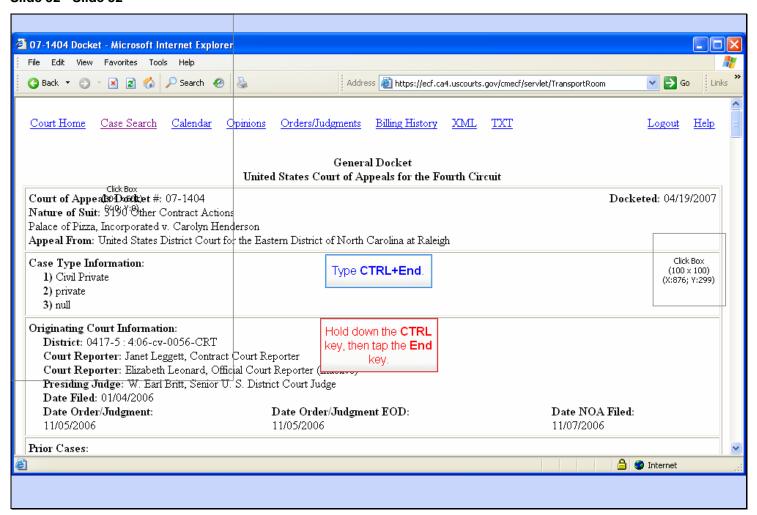
CM/ECF allows you to select or de-select various parts of the docket report by clicking the appropriate check box. We'll leave all items selected. Click the Run Docket Report button.

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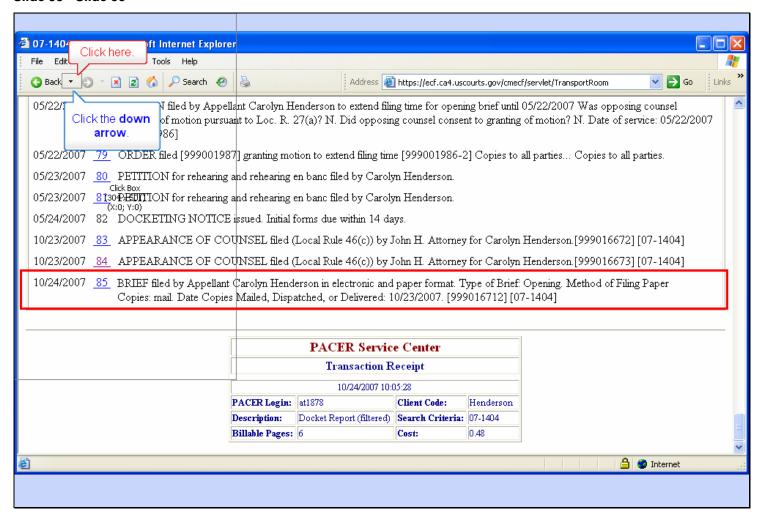
Slide 52 - Slide 52



Slide notes

And the docket report appears. Since docket entries are in chronological order, the brief we just filed should be the last docket entry. To jump to the end of the docket report quickly, type CTRL+End.

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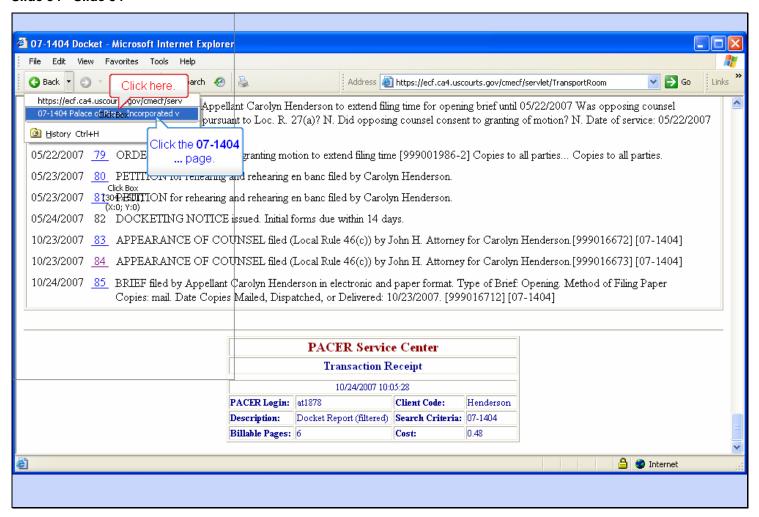


Slide notes

And now we're at the end of the report and we can see the docket entry for our brief. By the way, since this is a practice case some of the docket entries don't make sense.

Let's back up to the NDA. To do so, click the down arrow next to the Back button in the browser.

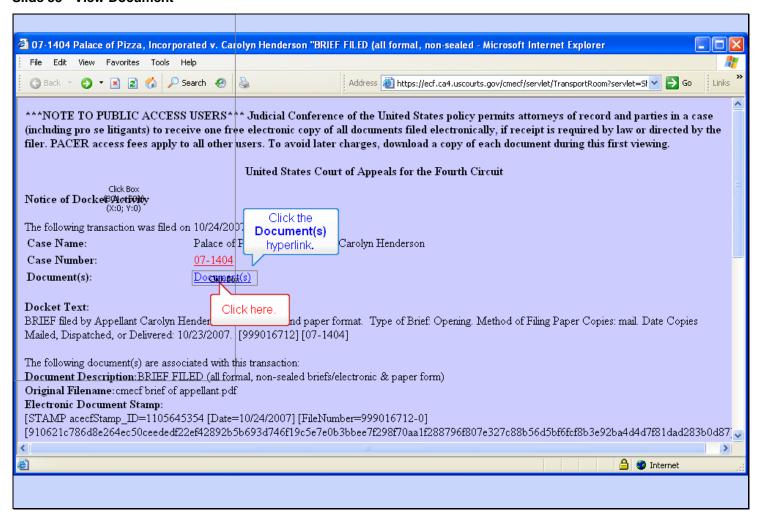
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From the list of pages in the browser's history, click the 07-1404 page.

Slide 55 - View Document

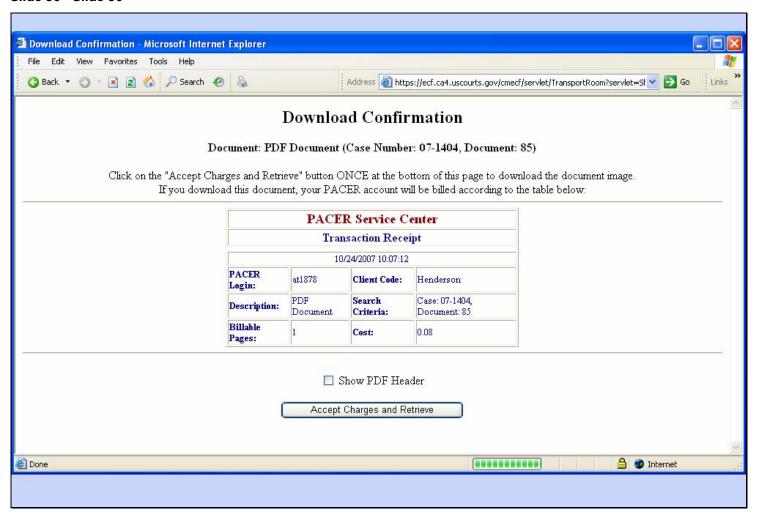


Slide notes

And we've backed up to the NDA.

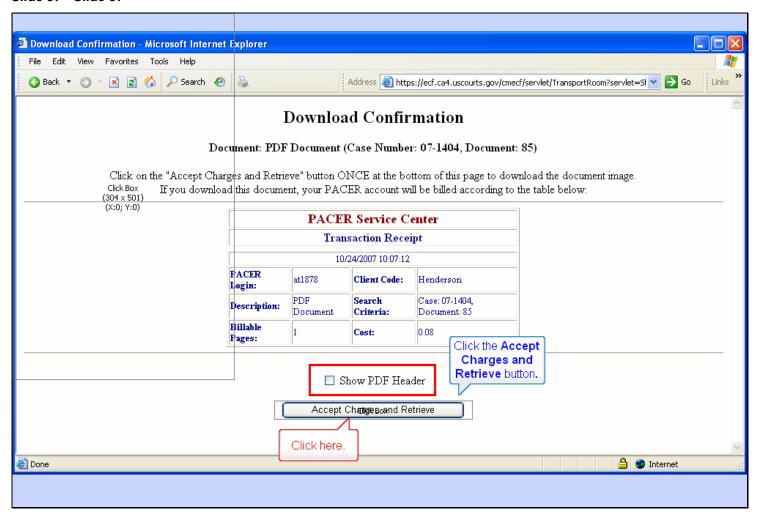
There is also a hyperlink on this page to the document or documents that were submitted with this docket entry. Click the Document(s) hyperlink.

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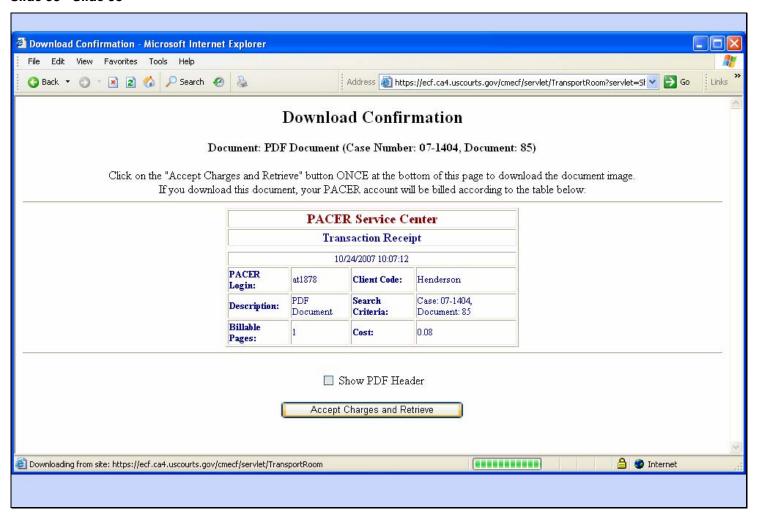
Slide notes

A Download Confirmation message is displayed. By the way, if you had submitted more than one PDF document with your filing, you would have seen a screen to select which of the documents you want to see.

CM/ECF can also show a header on each PDF document. This header will add the case number and title at the top of each page of the document.

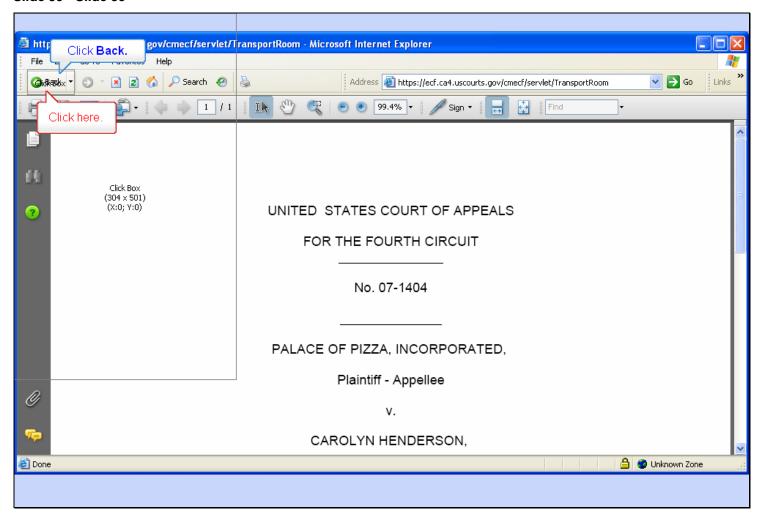
Click the Accept Charges and Retrieve button.

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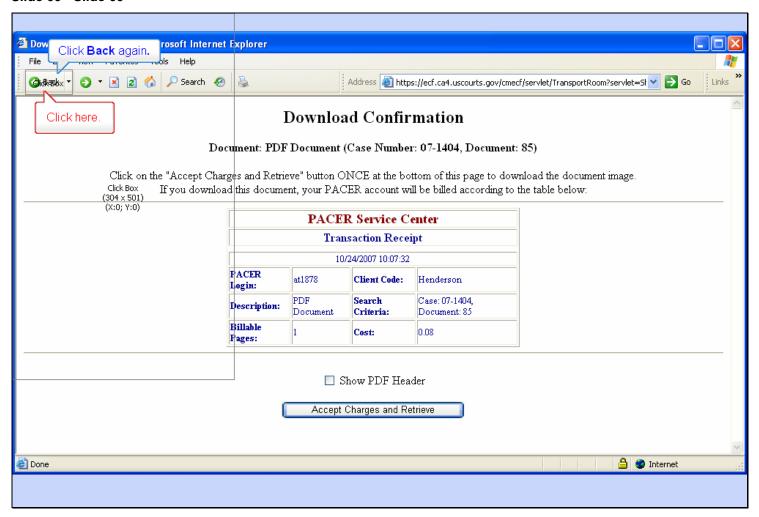
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And we can see the brief we filed. Click the browser's Back button.

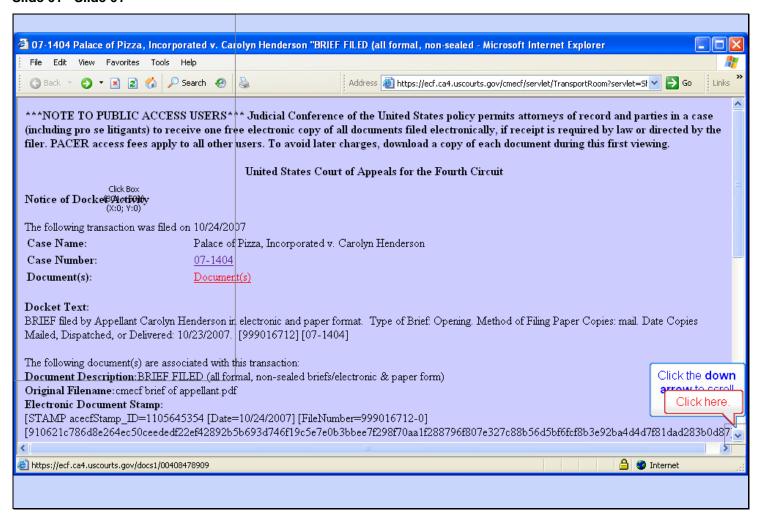
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And click Back one more time.

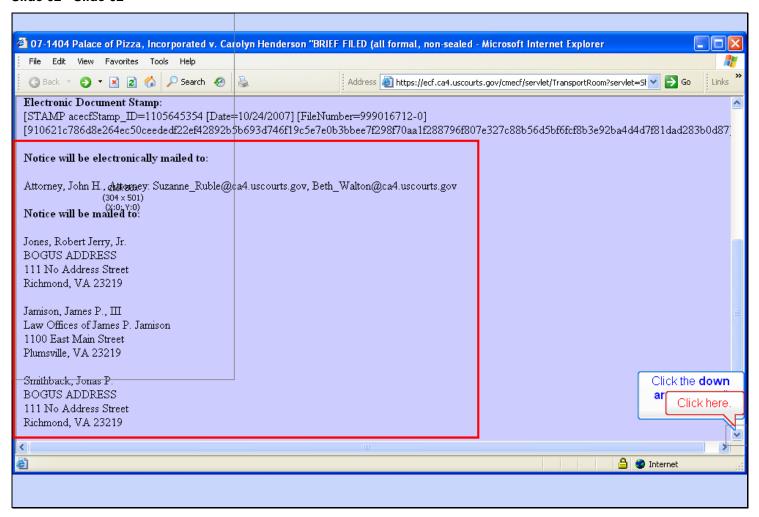
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Slide notes

And we're back to the NDA. To see the rest of the notice, click the down arrow in the scroll bar.

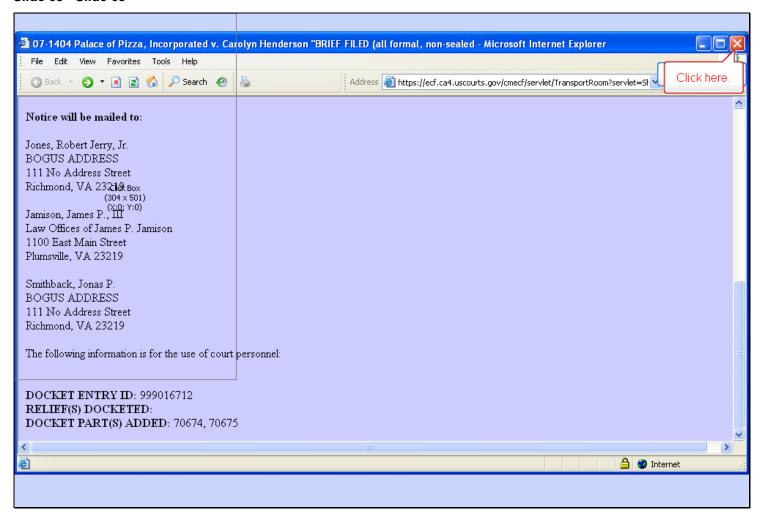
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Near the bottom of the notice is information about how the notice will be distributed to various people. Scroll down some more.

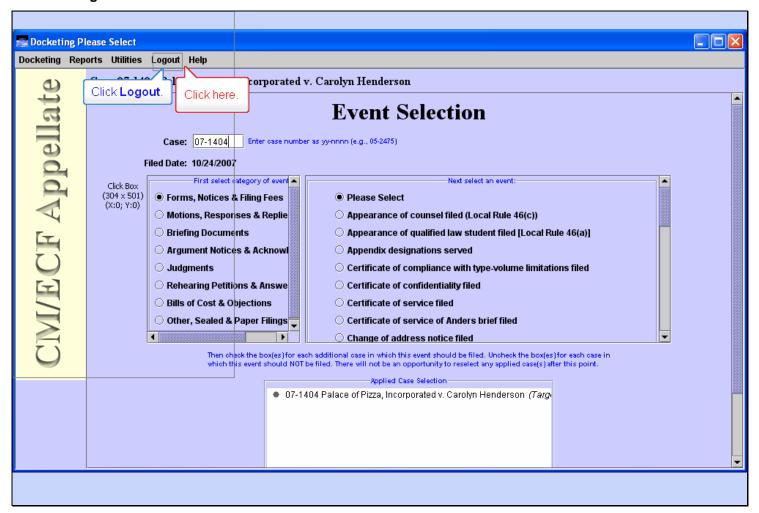
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Now that we've seen the entire notice, close the NDA by clicking its close button.

Slide 64 - Logout

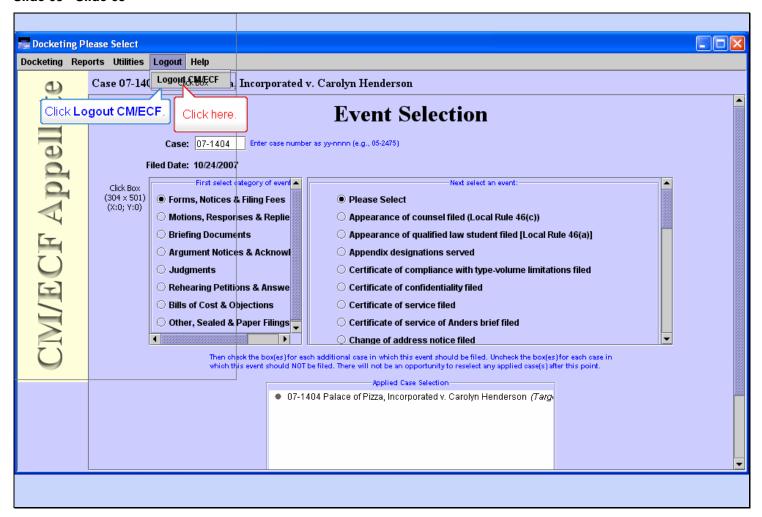


Slide notes

And we're back to the Event Selection screen. If you had another document to file in this case, you could do so. Or you could enter a different case number to file a document in a different case.

We'll assume you're done. Since it's important to log out when you're done, click Logout in the CM/ECF menu.

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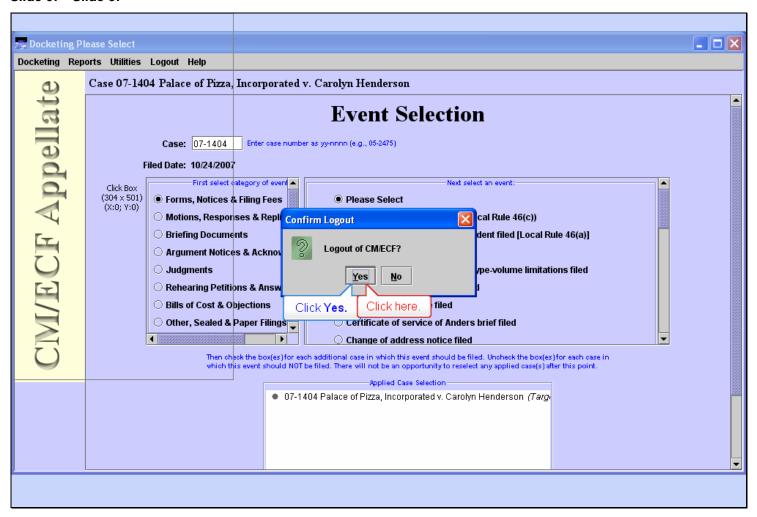
Now click Logout CM/ECF.

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Confirm you want to logout by clicking the Yes button.

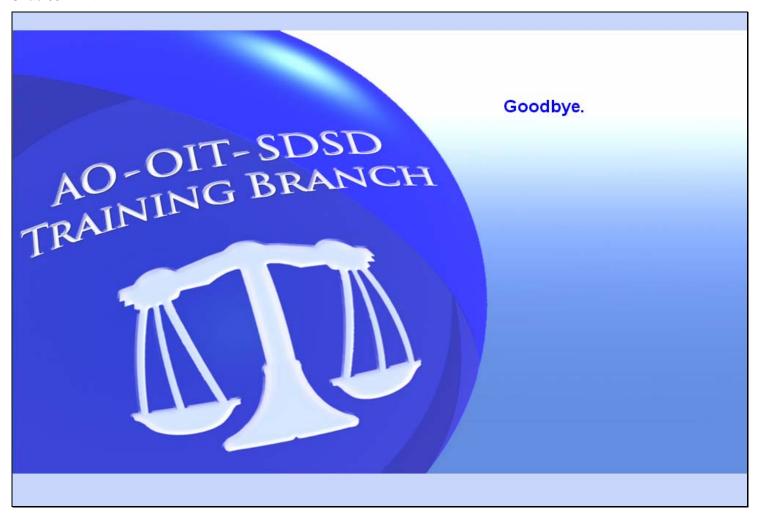
Slide 68 - Summary

Summary You should now be able to: Enter a Case Number Select a Docket Event Category Select a Docket Event Enter Additional Information · Locate and Submit a PDF File Submit a Docket Transaction View and Save a Notice of Docket Activity Run a docket report · View a filed document Logout of CM/ECF You may exit the lesson module be selecting Exit the Lesson from the Menu, or you may use the navigation controls to return to any desired section of the lesson.

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This concludes the lesson module. In summary, these are the things you should now be able to do. You may exit the lesson module by selecting Exit the Lesson from the Menu, or you may use the navigation controls to return to any desired section of the lesson.

Slide 69 - Exit



Slide notes

Thanks for taking the lesson. Goodbye.